Cometary Chip 12

Track 16

Images

Aerogel Cell: From unknown cell

Aerogel Chip:

Track and Grains:

12A_before_particle_removal.jpg 12A_before_particle_removal3.jpg 12A2_before_particle_removal2.jpg

Microtomed samples:

Grain 1:

FC12,0,16,1_Frag12A2Xlow.pdf

Grain 2:

16,2_Frag12A2Ylow.pdf

Grain 3:

16,3_Frag12A2Zlow.pdf

Track History:

Chip 12 was found on the surface of the canister upon opening, and has not been tied to a specific cometary cell. Cut by Hope Ishii into two halves; 3 grains (1,2,3) plucked by Mike Zolensky from one half, embedded in epoxy and cut by Keiko Messenger 2/10/06.

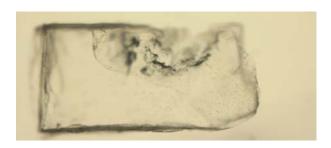
Track Characteristics

Type: Cavity with grains along walls

Length: ~300µm

Grain diameter ≤10µm each

Allocation History



Results

Grain 1

Only sample preparation picture.

Grain 2

Only sample preparation pictures.

Grain 3

T. Nakamura: Al, Si and Ti, Si rich particles.

T. Mikouchi (FEGSEM): He examined a potted butt which contains two grains exposed on the surface. One of them is a mostly silica-rich amorphous phase possibly contaminated with aerogel. The other grain (2.5 x 1.5 microns) is made of a K-rich phase, probably a K-feldspar. Neither Ca nor Na was detected. It contains only Si, Al and K. Tried EBSD for this grain, but could not obtain diffraction.

Weisberg (SEM EDS): Sees S and Mg by EDS. Possible K-feldspar.

Data Files: Not available yet